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COMMUNICATION CONCERNING EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is further to the telephone communication between Examiner Manjunath Rao and Curtis Panzer on February 13, 2006. As requested by Examiner Rao, applicants enclose a fresh Re-issue Application Declaration by the Assignee and a fresh Re-issue Application: Consent of Assignee. Any additional fees required in connection with this submission may be taken from Merck Deposit account 13-2755.

As explained to me by Mr. Panzer, during the conversation of February 13, Mr. Panzer expressed his agreement with an Examiner's Amendment proposed by Examiner Rao. Examiner Rao indicated that in order to enter the Examiner's amendment he would need a fresh Re-issue Application Declaration by the Assignee. Moreover, upon reviewing the file, Examiner Rao was unable to locate a Re-issue Application: Consent of Assignee. Examiner Rao requested a new Consent. In Response, Applicants are enclosing these papers. Applicants note that the Consent is accompanied by a new Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b), and a copy of an assignment from Merck Frosst & Co. to Merck Frosst Canada, Ltd.

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The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number provided below in order to advance the prosecution of this case.

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